

MINUTE ITEM

12. APPLICATION FOR PERMIT TO CONDUCT SUBMARINE GEOPHYSICAL EXPLORATION OPERATIONS, CONTRA COSTA, NAPA, SACRAMENTO, SAN JOAQUIN, AND SOLANO COUNTIES; SHELL OIL COMPANY - W.O. 4911, P.R.C. 3093.1.

After consideration of Calendar Item 22 attached, and upon motion duly made and unanimously carried, the following resolution was adopted:

THE EXECUTIVE OFFICER IS AUTHORIZED TO ISSUE TO SHELL OIL COMPANY A PERMIT FOR THE CONDUCT OF GEOPHYSICAL EXPLORATION OPERATIONS FOR THE PERIOD DECEMBER 20, 1963, THROUGH JUNE 19, 1964, ON THOSE TIDE AND SUBMERGED LANDS UNDER THE JURISDICTION OF THE STATE LANDS COMMISSION LYING WITHIN THE AREA BOUNDED ON THE WEST BY THE WEST LINE OF TOWNSHIPS 2 NORTH, 3 NORTH, AND 4 NORTH, RANGE 3 WEST; ON THE EAST BY THE EAST LINE OF TOWNSHIPS 2 NORTH, 3 NORTH, AND 4 NORTH, RANGE 5 EAST; ON THE NORTH BY THE NORTH LINE OF TOWNSHIP 4 NORTH, RANGES 1, 2, AND 3 WEST, AND RANGES 1, 2, 3, 4, AND 5 EAST; AND ON THE SOUTH BY THE SOUTH LINE OF TOWNSHIP 2 NORTH, RANGES 1, 2, AND 3 WEST, AND RANGES 1, 2, 3, 4, AND 5 EAST IN THE COUNTIES OF CONTRA COSTA, NAPA, SACRAMENTO, SAN JOAQUIN, AND SOLANO.

THE FORM OF PERMIT SHALL CONFORM TO ALL OPERATING CONDITIONS ESTABLISHED BY THE COMMISSION FOR THE CONDUCT OF GEOPHYSICAL EXPLORATION OPERATIONS, AS APPROVED UNDER CALENDAR ITEM 21, W.O. 4961.

SECTION 6 OF THIS PERMIT SHALL BE MODIFIED TO READ AS FOLLOWS:

6. ONLY EXPLOSIVES OF A SIZE OR TYPE AS AUTHORIZED BY THE FISH AND GAME COMMISSION SHALL BE USED IN SUBMARINE GEOPHYSICAL EXPLORATION OPERATIONS. ALL SHOTS SHALL BE "JETTED" TO A MINIMUM DEPTH OF 25 FEET BELOW THE RIVER OR BAY BOTTOM, AND NO SHOTS SHALL BE PERMITTED AT A DISTANCE CLOSER THAN 200 FEET FROM THE ORDINARY HIGH WATER MARK OR ONE-QUARTER STATUTE MILE FROM ANY STRUCTURE.

THIS PERMIT SHALL BE EFFECTIVE ONLY WHEN A CONCURRENT PERMIT FOR THE OPERATING AREA SPECIFIED HEREIN IS AUTHORIZED BY THE STATE FISH AND GAME COMMISSION.

Attachment

Calendar Item 22 (2 pages)

CALENDAR ITEM

22.

APPLICATION FOR PERMIT TO CONDUCT SUBMARINE GEOPHYSICAL EXPLORATION OPERATIONS; CONTRA COSTA, NAPA, SACRAMENTO, SAN JOAQUIN, AND SOLANO COUNTIES; SHELL OIL COMPANY - W.O. 4911.

Shell Oil Company has made application for authorization to conduct submarine geophysical exploration operations on tide and submerged lands under the jurisdiction of the State Lands Commission lying within the area bounded on the west by the west line of Townships 2 North, 3 North, and 4 North, Range 3 West; on the east by the east line of Townships 2 North, 3 North, and 4 North, Range 5 East; on the north by the north line of Township 4 North, Ranges 1, 2, and 3 West, and Ranges 1, 2, 3, 4, and 5 East; and on the south by the south line of Township 2 North, Ranges 1, 2, and 3 West, and Ranges 1, 2, 3, 4, and 5 East, including the Sacramento River and Suisun Bay (including Grizzly and Honker Bays), Montezuma Slough, Middle Slough, New York Slough, and other adjacent bays, sloughs, and rivers, in the Counties of Napa, Contra Costa, Sacramento, San Joaquin, and Solano.

Shell Oil Company also has submitted an application to the Department of Fish and Game for the conduct of exploration operations, covering the same area and using charges of 20 pounds of Nitramon WW or equivalent explosive jettied to a depth of 25 feet below the beds of the bays and sloughs not closer than 200 feet from the ordinary high water mark or one-quarter mile from any structure. The corresponding distance limitations in the standard form of Commission permit are one-quarter mile and one-half mile, respectively. Therefore, these conditions should be modified for the subject permit to correspond with the limitations specified in the concurrent Fish and Game Commission permit.

The Boards of Supervisors of Contra Costa, Napa, Sacramento, San Joaquin, and Solano Counties have been informed that this application is to be considered.

The statutory filing fee has been paid by the applicant.

IT IS RECOMMENDED THAT THE COMMISSION AUTHORIZE THE EXECUTIVE OFFICER TO ISSUE TO SHELL OIL COMPANY A PERMIT FOR THE CONDUCT OF GEOPHYSICAL EXPLORATION OPERATIONS FOR THE PERIOD DECEMBER 20, 1963, THROUGH JUNE 19, 1964, ON THOSE TIDE AND SUBMERGED LANDS UNDER THE JURISDICTION OF THE STATE LANDS COMMISSION LYING WITHIN THE AREA BOUNDED ON THE WEST BY THE WEST LINE OF TOWNSHIPS 2 NORTH, 3 NORTH, AND 4 NORTH, RANGE 3 WEST; ON THE EAST BY THE EAST LINE OF TOWNSHIPS 2 NORTH, 3 NORTH, AND 4 NORTH, RANGE 5 EAST; ON THE NORTH BY THE NORTH LINE OF TOWNSHIP 4 NORTH, RANGES 1, 2, AND 3 WEST, AND RANGES 1, 2, 3, 4, AND 5 EAST; AND ON THE SOUTH BY THE SOUTH LINE OF TOWNSHIP 2 NORTH, RANGES 1, 2, AND 3 WEST, AND RANGES 1, 2, 3, 4, AND 5 EAST IN THE COUNTIES OF CONTRA COSTA, NAPA, SACRAMENTO, SAN JOAQUIN, AND SOLANO.

CALENDAR ITEM 22. (CONTD.)

THE FORM OF PERMIT SHALL CONFORM TO ALL OPERATING CONDITIONS ESTABLISHED BY THE COMMISSION FOR THE CONDUCT OF GEOPHYSICAL EXPLORATION OPERATIONS, AS APPROVED UNDER CALENDAR ITEM 21, W.O. 4961.

SECTION 6 OF THIS PERMIT SHALL BE MODIFIED TO READ AS FOLLOWS:

6. ONLY EXPLOSIVES OF A SIZE OR TYPE AS AUTHORIZED BY THE FISH AND GAME COMMISSION SHALL BE USED IN SUBMARINE GEOPHYSICAL EXPLORATION OPERATIONS. WHETHER SHOTS ARE "JETTED" OR ARE "OPEN", ALL SHOTS SHALL BE "JETTED" TO A MINIMUM DEPTH OF 25 FEET BELOW THE RIVER OR BAY BOTTOM, AND NO SHOTS SHALL BE PERMITTED AT A DISTANCE CLOSER THAN ONE-QUARTER STATUTE-MILE 200 FEET FROM THE ORDINARY HIGH WATER MARK OR ONE-HALF ONE-QUARTER STATUTE MILE FROM ANY STRUCTURE.

THIS PERMIT SHALL BE EFFECTIVE ONLY WHEN A CONCURRENT PERMIT FOR THE OPERATING AREA SPECIFIED HEREIN IS AUTHORIZED BY THE STATE FISH AND GAME COMMISSION.